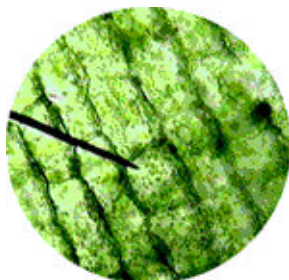


# Is it plant, or is it animal?

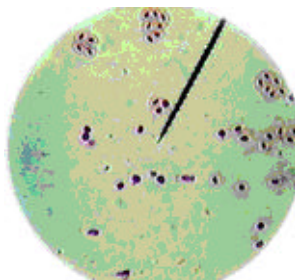
The photographs below illustrate the basic comparison of plant and animal cells.

1. Plant cells have a cell wall, but animal cells do not.
2. Plant cells have chloroplasts, but animal cells do not.
3. Plant cells generally have a more rectangular shape because the cell wall is more rigid. Animal cells have a round or irregular shape because they do not have a cell wall.
4. Plants cells usually have one or more large vacuole(s), while animal cells have smaller vacuoles, if any are present.

**Plant**



**Animal**



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